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Application of:

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Title : CHARGED PARTICLE MANIPULATION  
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Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115**

Applicants hereby request the following preliminary amendment be entered for the United States National Stage Nonprovisional Patent Application counterpart to application PCT/GB2003/003683, having received no examination on the merits under 37 C.F.R. §1.104: